

FAO CORPS SELECTION QUESTIONNAIRE

Before filling out this form, all applicants must be familiar with Chapter 28 of [DA PAM 600-3](#)

PART I – BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

| | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|-----|
| Name | Rank | Year Group | Branch | SSN |
| Phone Number (Primary) | | Phone Number (Alternate) | | |
| Email Address (Primary) | | Email Address (Alternate) | | |
| Current Address | | | | |
| Marital Status | Spouse Birth Country / Citizenship | Has spouse begun Naturalization process? | What is expected date of Naturalization? | |
| Are you married to another service member? | Have you ever been passed over for promotion? | | Do you have dependents in EFMP? | |
| Date of availability to begin FAO training | | Date of completion of Company Grade Key Developmental job and KD job title | | |
| What Voluntary Transfer Incentive Program (VTIP) panel are you applying for (e.g. "3QTR, FY13", "1QTR, FY14", etc.)? If you are not applying for transfer through the VTIP, enter "Other". | | | | |

PART II – FAO QUALIFICATIONS

| | | | | |
|--|-----------|---------|-----------------------------|------------|
| DEFENSE LANGUAGE APTITUDE BATTERY/TEST (DLAB/DLAT) - A DLAB score is MANDATORY for all FAO applicants regardless of additional language qualifications. Ensure your DLAB is reflected on your ORB or include your test results with this application. | | | | DLAB Score |
| Current Foreign Language Proficiency | | | | |
| LANGUAGE | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | DATE |
| 1. | | | | |
| 2. | | | | |
| 3. | | | | |
| BACHELORS DEGREE (School and Major): | | | Resident or Online Program? | GPA |
| MASTERS DEGREE (School and Major): | | | Resident or Online Program? | GPA |
| GRE Scores are MANDATORY for all FAO applicants unless specifically authorized by a FAO Proponent Regional Manager. GRE Scores must meet the Army standard of 153 (Verbal)/144 (Quantitative)/4.0 (Analytical) as outlined in the current Advanced Civil Schooling Standard Operating Procedure [Note: AR 621-1 is currently pending revision]. The FAO Corps does not accept GMAT in lieu of GRE. Please include a copy of your scores with this application. | | | VERBAL | |
| | | | WRITING | |
| | | | QUANTITATIVE | |

PART III – NOTES FOR POTENTIAL APPLICANTS

All Applicants must acknowledge the following statements by entering their initials in the blocks to the right.

| | |
|--|--|
| Many FAO assignment locations do not provide comprehensive medical/education services and are not suitable for EFMP dependents . However, Army assignment regulations dictate that the FAO must be deployable and could be assigned anywhere within their Area of Concentration. Therefore, FAOs COULD BE STATIONED OVERSEAS WITHOUT THEIR DEPENDENTS . As an applicant for transfer into the FAO Corps, I understand this possibility exists. | |
| Spouses must be a US citizen or must have begun the naturalization process before an officer can begin FAO training. If an officer's spouse does not intend to become a US citizen, the officer cannot be a FAO . I acknowledge this requirement. | |
| Applicants who are married to another service member must understand that many FAO assignments are in areas that are greatly removed from the larger US Army infrastructure. While FAO Branch will attempt to accommodate officers, this will be extremely difficult to accomplish. If an applicant is married to another service member, THEY MUST BE PREPARED TO SERVE MULTIPLE, AND POSSIBLY REPETITIVE, ASSIGNMENTS APART FROM THEIR SPOUSE . I acknowledge this requirement. | |
| While it is not required for the initial transfer application, all FAOs must be eligible to hold a TS/SCI security clearance. Only officers that can obtain and maintain a TS/SCI clearance can be a FAO . I acknowledge this requirement. | |
| All applicants must understand that, notwithstanding preferences entered in Section VI of this application, they must be prepared to accept any Area of Concentration based on needs of the Army. Officers unwillingly to accept any AOC should not apply. I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I MAY BE DESIGNATED TO ANY AOC DEPENDING ON NEEDS OF THE ARMY . | |

Email complete FAO application packet to G-3/5/7 DAMO-SSF (FAO Proponent) at:
usarmy.pentagon.hqda-dcs-g-3-5-7.mbx.damo-ssf-fa-48@mail.mil or Fax to 703-602-8198

Form Date: 1 Feb 13

PART IV – ARMY AND FAO EXPERIENCE

A. List all OCONUS assignments or deployments and provide the tour length in each location:

B. List any non-military experiences you have had either living or traveling in any of the FAO regional Areas of Concentration and provide length of time spent in each area. In addition, describe any activities you participated in that have given you unique insights into the culture, government, military, etc. Do not include deployments/OCONUS assignments or vacation/casual travel.

C. MANDATORY REQUIREMENT: List any/all other Army programs that you are currently participating in or have submitted an application for. Some examples include but are not limited to: Army/Joint Fellowships, Training-With-Industry, USMA teaching or cadre program, Expanded Graduate School Program (EGSP), etc. Please include the name of the program(s), program start date, projected end date, and any additional pertinent information. If not participating in any program, applicant should state “No other programs”

PART V – OFFICER’S COMMENTARY

MANDATORY REQUIREMENT: Use this page to describe why you want to become a Foreign Area Officer. You can expand upon information provided on previous pages. This is your chance to tell us why you should be a FAO. DO NOT WRITE MORE THAN ONE PAGE.

PART VI – FAO AREA OF CONCENTRATION PREFERENCES

Your Area of Concentration (AOC) and training program will be determined by the needs of the Army; taking into account your language aptitude, current language proficiency, military background, previous experiences, studies and when possible, your preferences. In order to support ongoing operations, certain AOCs are in high demand or have a large number of billets. **Therefore, all applicants must include one high demand AOC (48D, 48G, 48J and/or 48E) as one of their four preferences.** INSTRUCTIONS: In part A, please make up to four choices for your preferred AOC. In part B, please list your preferred initial language(s) that correspond to the AOC preference you entered in part A.

| A. AREA OF CONCENTRATION | | B. LANGUAGE PREFERENCE |
|----------------------------|--|------------------------|
| 1 ST Preference | | 1. |
| | | 2. |
| | | 3. |
| 2 ND Preference | | 1. |
| | | 2. |
| | | 3. |
| 3 RD Preference | | 1. |
| | | 2. |
| | | 3. |
| 4 TH Preference | | 1. |
| | | 2. |
| | | 3. |

FAO AOCs, INITIAL LANGUAGES, AND LANGUAGE DIFFICULTY CATEGORY

| | |
|--|---|
| 48B – Latin America | Spanish (1); Portuguese (1); French (1) |
| 48C – Europe | French (1); Italian (1) |
| | German (2); Romanian (2) |
| | Bulgarian (3); Czech (3); Greek (3); Hungarian (3); Polish (3); Serbo-Croatian (3); Turkish (3) |
| 48D – South Asia | Bengali (3); Dari (3); Hindi (3); Pashto (3); Urdu (3) |
| 48E – Eurasia | Russian (3); Ukrainian (3); Uzbek (3); Kyrgyz (3); Turkish (3) |
| 48F – China | Chinese Mandarin (4) |
| 48G – Middle East / North Africa | Farsi (3); Arabic (4) |
| 48H – North Asia | Korean (4); Japanese (4) |
| 48I – Southeast Asia | Indonesian (2); Malay (2) |
| | Tagalog (3); Thai (3); Vietnamese (3) |
| 48J – Sub-Sahara Africa | French (1) |
| | Swahili (3) |
| Note: Numbers in parentheses indicate the language difficulty category per AR 11-6, Chapter 3-3. | Category 1: Minimum DLAB score of 95 |
| | Category 2: Minimum DLAB score of 100 |
| | Category 3: Minimum DLAB score of 105 |
| | Category 4: Minimum DLAB score of 110 |